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ROBBERS HOLD UP BANK AT SMOAKS

AND GET AWAY WITH \$2.500.

LOCKED CASHIER IN VAULT

Armed With Revolver, Physical Force and Drug to Overpower Lone Cashier In Colleton County.

Branchville.-Overcoming the cashier with a revolver supported by physical force, two unknown men enterer the bank of the Smoak Banking company at Smoaks and succeeded in making away with over \$2,500.

The robbery was committed about 2:30 o'clock when C. A. Thomas, cashier, was at work on his books. Looking up, he discovered that two strangers had entered, one covering him with a revolver. One man immediately leaped over the counter and seized him. The cashier resisted and in the struggle managed to keep his antagonist betwen him and the man with the revolver. This man, however, jumped over the counter after his companion and struck the cashier a sharp blow over the eye, at the same time throwing some liquid in his face. The combination served to render Mr. Thomas uncon-

The robbers then placed the cashier in the vault and scaped with about \$2,500 in currency. They were traveling in an automobile, and when the robbery was discovered two hours later, they were traced going in the direction of Bamberg.

One of them is described as being about six feet in height, slender, of dark complexion and wearing a cap. The other was not as tall, but heavier, dark and also wore a cap.

Mr. Thomas recalled that the smaller of the men came in the bank one week ago and asked him to cash a Southern railway check for \$400. The cashier informed him that he could not do so without identification. The stranger asked if others worked with him in the bank and departed.

The cashier was not discovered, locked in the vault, until about 4:30

A reward of \$100 has been offered by the Smoak Banking company for

the arrest of the robbers. ville. J. E. Smoak is president of the

Cattle Sale March 22.

Rock Hill.-The Chamber of Commerce has received information that the first cattle sales will be held in the recently constructed Rock Hill stockyards March 22. Dr. W. W. Long of Clemson College, who is supervising the sales in the six assembling points in the state, says there will be sold in Rock Hill at least 700 head of cattle. There are being fed in the state 4,000 head.

Freight rates on cattle from the five or six counties in this territory may be secured from any freight agent or the secretary of the Rock Hill Chamber of Commerce.

North and West as buyers and representatives of all of them will be in attendance at the Rock Hill sale.

Agricultural Society Elects Officers.

Charleston .- S. G. Stoney was reelected president of the organization for the fifth consecutive term at the annual meeting of the Agricultural Society of South Carolina in their meeting at Charleston. John L. Mc-Laurin, state warehouse commisssioner, addressed the meeting immediately upon the completion of routine business and the election of officers Following his address the assemblage adjourned to the Charleston Hotel for lunch and to hear addresses from R. G. Rhett, president of the Chamber of Commerce; S. C. Thompson, a government agricultural expert, and others of the members and guests.

Lights For Saluda.

Saluda.—The town council has granted a 20-year franchise for the instalaltion and operation of an electric light and power plant to F. A. Hugh of Atlanta, Ga. Under the terms of the franchise, work is to be started within 90 days on the plant and it must be finished and in operation within six months from date. The business section of the town is to be furnished with a 24-hour service and the residence section all-night service at a rate not exceeding 12 1-2c. per

Barnwell has seen visited by three fres during the past week. Ridgeville will have a chautauqua

February 16, 17 and 18. the state, who are interested in the the house. various plans under consideration for

Saving the Trees.

The cementing of holes in trees is now quite common. On old estates, where trees have been showing holes in their trunks for years, they are now being cemented, both to add to the stability of the trunks and to arrest further decay. Huge trees with holes in their trunks large enough for a man to stand upright in are now filled with cement, the cement being mainted the color of the bark.

ELECTION HELD BY JOINT ASSEMBL

TWO BOLD BANDITS MAKE RAID RION MCKISSICK NAMED CODE COMMISSIONER.-MRS MOODY LIBRARIAN.

LILES BILL IN IN SENATE

Many Important Bills, Pending In Both Houses and Many Others to Come up Soon. Columbia.

John L. McLaurin of Bennettsville was reelected warehouse commissioner by the joint assembly on the first ballot, which resulted as follows: McLaurin 91, F. M. Carey of Seneca 40, John J. McMahan of Columbia 22. James W. DeVore, judge of the

Eleventh circuit, was opposed for reelection by J. B. Wingard of Lexing- was both championed and disapprovton and was declared reelected, having received 108 votes to Mr. Wingard's 43. bate which on motion was adjourned. out opposition: Carlton W. Sawyer, comptroller general; F. H. McMaster, insurance commissioner; T. B. Fraser, bridges and ferries, is to co-operate associate justice; S. W. G. Shipp, judge of the Twelfth circuit.

The following were the results of the election held by the joint assembly. Code commissioner, J. Rion Mc- mission that there should be one body Kissick of Greenville; State librarian. Mrs. Virginia Green Moody; two trus- over the large amount of money extees of Winthrop college, Benjamin R. Tillman and D. W. McLaurin, re- during the course of a year in road elected; two directors of the state work, the aggregate being about \$1,penitenaitry, A. H. Hawkins of Prosperity and W. H. Glenn of Anderson; two trustees of the University of South Carolina, C. E. Spencer of York college, authorized the following and L. P. Hollis of Greenville; three statement: "Neither Clemson college trustees of Clemson college, R. H. nor its president is a party to any Timmerman of Batesburg, S. T. Mc-Keown of Chester and S. A. Burns of or support any scholarship or free

Greenville, which was seconded by the college presidents." Union and Florence county delegations and others; Mr. Harper nominated J. Carter Townsend of Columbia, seconded by Messrs. White and Brigham; Mr. Carter nominated Francis F. Carroll of Bamberg, seconded by Senator Black, Messrs. Searson, Senseney and others.

The first ballot gave: McKissick 108, Carroll 29, Townsend 21.

Mr. McKissick was declared elected code commissioner to succeed the late

nominated Mrs. Virginia Green special committee from the house of afraid America will not do enough. Moody, incumbent, which was seconded without opposition.

ed by a large number. She was elect-Benjamin Ryan Tillman and D. W. McLaurin were elected without opposition to succeed themselves as trustees of Winthrop college. Senator

Tillman was nominated by J. L. Union and W. W. Harris, of Laurens. been lost, as nearly as any estimate Walker and Mr. McLaurin by Senator Beamguard. W. H. Glenn of Anderson were re- ments and papers for each branch of cloudbursts.

elected without opposition as directors the general assembly, with the printand Mr. Glenn by Senator Sherard. L. P. Hollis of Greenville was elect- shall be prescribed by law."

Dillon, who declined renomination, as in 12 point (pica), with a pica of life. Doctor Long has secured the most a trustee of the University of South white space between the lines. The important packing houses of the Carolina. C. E. Spenver of York was committee recommends that they be lis was nominated by Mr. McCullough of Greenville and Mr. Spenver by Sen- duced to 6 points (nonpareil) and that etor Reamguard.

A motion to recede from business

For thre trustees of Clemson college four were nominated as follows: R. H. Timmerman of Batesburg by Senator Sharpe, S. T. McKeown of Chester by Senator Brice, Frank G. Tompkins of Columbia by Mr. Bailes, S. A. Burns of Anderson by Mr. West. E. T. Hughes, who is one of the three retiring directors with Messrs. Timmerman and McKeown, was not re-The first ballot resulted as follows:

Timmerman 75, McKeown 115, Burns 103. Tompkins 72. Messrs. McKeown, Burns and Tim-

merman were declared elected trustees of Clemson college.

School For Feebleminded A bill to establish a state training school for the feebleminded has been introduced in the senate by Senator Sherared of Anderson and Senator Christensen of Beaufort. The bill provides for the appointment of five trustes, who, in co-operation with the voard of charities and corrections, are to make a preliminary survey of the state, to select a site, determine upon the nature and number of buildings necessary, the cost of equipment and maintenance through 1917, and report to the legislature next session.

on their employer in certain cases, a resolution introduced by Messrs. or giving them the same rights as Beckett and Fripp of Beaufort indorsthey have under the bankruptcy laws ing the policy of national preparedness

An amendment to the house rules gation to further such a policy. the national defense met in Columbia adopted provides that on each legisrecently when the Southern training lative day 30 minutes, if so much be mittee, consisting of Senator Hughes,

> Sayings for the Sheepowner. Good lambs are money makers. Speculation and uncertainty of tariff tinkering have been the bane of the sheep industry.

Keep dogs and strangers out of sight of the flock. Lambs will make a great growth on

clover and alfalfa hay and corn. The ability of the ewe to properly nourish her lamb is one of the most important considerations in selecting

breeding stock.

Liles Bill In Senate.

Debate in the senate was confined exclusively for one day to the Liles bill from the house, designed to put "teeth" in the prohibition law, by imposing chaingang or prison sentence for violation, without the alternative of a fine. Considerable devision ex ists in the senate over the measure The consensus of opinion at this time favors the passage of the bill in its

The Liles bill as brought over from the house provides that a prison or chaingang sentence of not less than six months nor more than two years shall be imposed for the first violation. Subsequent offenses carry with them minimum sentence of one year and mavimum of five years. The circuit judge in his discretion may suspend all of the prison sentence for the first offense but 30 days and of subsequent offenses all but 60 days "upon such terms and conditions as he may see fit to impose." The Laney amendment provides the alternative of a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000 for the first offense.

For Uniform Road Building. The advisibility of creating a state highway commission with a license on automobiles for its maintenance ed on the floor of the house in a de-The following were reelected with The principal object of such a commission as outlined in the bill proposed by the house committee on roads, with the road authorities of various counties and to study the system of public highways and road construction. It was urged in behalf of a comwith supervisory and advisory powers pended by the counties of the state

No Party to Agreement.

W. M. Riggs, president of Clemson agrement or understanding to oppose tuition measures pending before the For code commissioner Mr. Cothran legislature. I am not aware of any nominated J. Rion McKissick of concerted action to be taken by state

For New Circuit. After a long debate, in which opposition gained much strength, the house refused to recommit the bill providing for a Fourteenth judicial district, composed of the counties of Hampton, Colleton, Jasper and Beaufort, by a yea and nay vote of 53 to reading and sent to the senate by a vote of 58 to 44.

No State Printing Plant. Constitutional objections exclude representatives, which in co-operation with a similar body from the senate has been investigating the public printing problem during the last year. Repeated Floods Drowned Over 100 .-The house committee is composed of Representatives W. R. Bradford of York, chairman; L. L. Wagnon of

A. H. Hawkins of Prosperity and laws, journals, bills, legislative docu- line lie desolate from floods and be let on contract in such manner as tion, reports reached here of floods

ed to succeed Walliam M. Hamter of House and senate bills are printed elected to succeed himself. Mr. Hol- printed in 10 point (long primer), that the space between the lines be rethe length of the line be reduced from 36 to 30 ems, so that linotype composition may be facilitated; it is also pointed out that the eye more easily

takes in the shorter line. "The committee considered length the printing of stationery (letterheads, envelopes, tally sheets, roll calls, etc.) annually done for the general assembly," says the report. "The cost of this printing is in the aggregate considerable. Much of it now is inferior in workmanship and done on a poor quality of paper, though the charge for all of it has been high enough to warrant the expectation that first class printing on first class stock would be secured.

"All of this printing should be included in one or more contracts, to be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, instead of going to perhaps a dozen or more printers, as is now the practice. Uniformity, better prices, better material and better workmanship would be secured if this work

were let by contract." Mr. Smith's house bill to increase the salaries of state officers was killed in the house by the decisive majority of 65 to 24. The bill had received a majority unfavorable report from the ways and means committee, although its provisions were not to bcome effective until after the expiration of the term- of the incumbents.

A bill to give apployes a prior lien; The house passed without discussion Citizens from several counties in of the United States, was passed in as outlined by President Wilson and calling upon the South Carolina dele-

The report of the legislative comwas let May 24.

Talent Required. "If you go about it in a diplomatic way I believe you can get a good sized loan from Sendsworth."

"Well, tell him two or three sattling good stories that will make him laugh uproariously and then recite the his tory of your misfortunes in such a way that be will shed tears."

"How do you mean?"

"Umph! If I could do all that I'd go into vaudeville and be a monologist."-Birmingham Age-Herald.

AFRAID OF ANYBODY

PRESIDENT IS ONLY AFRAID OF NOT BEING READY TO DO DUTY.

HE SOLEMNLY WARNS NATION

Time May Come When He Cannot Keep United States Out of War and Maintain Honor.

Cleveland, Ohio.-President Wilson speaking as he said "solemnly," warnde the nation that the time may come when he cannot both keep the United States out of war and maintain its honor. He declared that the country must be prepared to defend itself and

prepared at once. "America is not afraid of anybody," he said. "I know I reflect your feeling and the feeling of all our citizens when I say the only thing I am afraid of is not being ready to perform my duty. I am afraid of the danger of inadequacy; I am afraid of the danger of not being able to express the chief character of this country with tremendous might and effectiveness whenever we are called upon to act in the field of the world's affairs."

"Let me tell you very solmenly you cannot postpone this thing," he de-"I do not know what a single day may bring forth. I do not wish to leave you with the impression that I am thinking of some partciular

"I merely wish to tell you that w are daily treading amidst intricate dangers. The dangers that we are treading amongst are not of our own making and not under our control. I think no man in the United States knows what a single week, a single day may bring for them."

Pittsburg .- President Wilson opened his six-day speaking tour of the Middle West by addressing an audience of more than 4,000 that packed Memorial Hall here, later appearing before an overflow meeting where his hearers were mostly women. In both addresses he set forth the need for a program of national defense and at the larger meeting said that the 50. The bill was later given a third of the country in their answer to the has for its object the repatriation of Polytechnic Institute at Clemson, two with congress, but with the young men who should oppose no obstacle to free-

response. from consideration the project of a the young men and the employers were Democrats who sought to put at Durham; April 29, Virginia Mili-For state librarian Senator Spigner state printing plant, according to the will do their duty and that he was not

FLOOD SWEEPS OTAY VALLEY.

Big Property Loss. San Diego, Cal., by wireless to San Francisco.-One hundred lives have Article 17, section 5, constitution can show, and charming little valleys of 1895, says: "The printing of the for 50° miles north of the Mexican

With the death toll in the Otay Volsweeping the San Luis Rey and San

Looting, described by Rear Admiral Fullam, commanding the Pacific reserve fleet, as "The worst I have ever seen,' broke out in the Otay Valley, flood swept by the breaking of the waukee and South Dakota in San Diego Bay with orders to shoot loot-

ers on sight. The sailors and marines toiled hard to recover the bodies of those who lost their lives in the disaster and at sundown 29 bodies, some of which were mutilated had been gathered together.

A new flood poured down the Tia Juana River which has risen four Diego May. Officials here said that

Zeppelin Raids Paris.

Paris .- A Zeppelin dirigible passed which killed 24 persons and injured ond air attack was momentarily ex- in that section of the country and be- Columbia. German machine appeared leads to the a reconnoitering trip and the supposition is that the Germans have in view the army and navy programs minute- the past few days a similar operation on a larger scale. ly and touch on other questions.

Mann Defends President. Washington. - Republican Leader sentative Dies of Texas, leader of the anti-preparedness Democrats, attacked the president's New York speech on national preparedness. Mr. Mann he was right.

Husband-Why in the world do you have our bills come in weekly instead Rowlands' "Martin Markall," 1610, we of monthly? Wife-You told me that are told that "loyterers laze in the you didn't want them so large, didn't you?-Boston Transcript.

They conceal the orchestra in this restaurant. Why?" "Well, wait till you hear it play." Exchange.

WILSON NOMINATES LOUIS D. BRANDEIS

TO SUCCESS THE LATE JUSTICE by growing in influence and value not LAMAR ON SUPREME COURT BENCH.

WAS A COMPLETE SURPRISE

Senate and All Official Washington Received News Without Fore-

Washington.-Louis D. Brandeis of Boston was nominated by President Wilson for the place on the Supreme Court bench made vacant by the death of Associate Justice Lamar.

The Senate received the nomina tion with unconcealed surprise-in which all official Washington joined sidered, or among an equally long tion. list of aspirants who presented en-

dorsements. ed to that effect. The only Senator ration for these meetings. found who was willing to publicly record his opposition at this time was Senator Wadsworth, Republican, of

Senators who aproved the nomina could command the necessary major the history of the association. ity to confirm the appointment.

dorsements sent to the President urg Alexina Evans, Cheraw, and A. ing Mr. Brandeis' appointment was Banks, Columbia, vice presidents; R. one from Gifford Pinchot, former chief C. Burts, Rock Hill, secretary; W. E. forestor, whose celebrated controversy Black, Lexington, treasurer; Miss with Secretary Ballinger brought Mr. Annie Bonham, Columbia, and A. B. Brandeis into the public eye six years | Rhett, Charleston, members of the ago. He appeared as chief counsel for the forces opposing the former Secretary of the Interior in the noted Ballinger-Pinchot controversy which sent its ramifications into many phases of national politics at the outset of President Taft's administration.

Although celebrated as a lawyer Mr. Brandeis has been devoting practest of national preparedness lay not tically all his time of late to the Zionfst movement in this country which Ctiadel at Clemson; April 13, Virginia call to volunteer and their employers, the Jews to a nation of their own in games; April 18, Wofford at Spartan-

Some of the Senators disposed to April 21, 22, University of Georgia at He believed, he added, that both express opposition to Mr. Brandeis Athens; April 27, 28, Trinity College their objections on political grounds. tary Institute at Senator James of Kentucky, the native Virginia Polytechnic Institute at state of Mr. Brandeis, unreservedly Blacksburg; May 5, 6, Auburn at told them the nominee was a Demo- Clemson; May 8, 9, Trinity College at crat. Justice Lamar, whom he would Clemson; May 12, 13, University of succeed, also was a Democrat. Six of South Carolina at Anderson. the eight Justices now on the bench are Republicans.

FORCE TO PROTECT COAST.

Necessary to Protect Coast. least 1,025,000 men would be needed court here. Mr. Knight has recently of the state penitentiary. Mr. Haw- ing required for the executive and ley seeming established at 50 and all to protect the "vital areas" of the Uni- returned from the annual meeting kins was nominated by Mr. Mower other departments of the state, shall relief agencies working in that directed States against a strong enemy of the association which was held at was detailed to the senate military Williston. This organization is comcommittee by Lieut. Col. W. G. Haan, posed of some 75 up-to-date farmers of Pasquel Valleys, doubling the loss of a member of the war department the famous Ridge section of the state board which spent several years work- who are endeavoring to diversify their

ing out defense laws. Land Defense Board, and of which South Carolina is represented in the Major General Witherspoon was pres- association. ident, visited and studied minutely Otay dam. The lower valley was every part of the coast line. It reportturned into an armed camp patrolled ed in 1913, but its findings have been by marines and sailors from the bat- held confidential by the department. tleship Oregon and the cruisers Mil- Among other information it submitted county has recently completed a detailed working plans drawn up in splendid map of the county which he conjunction with the engineer corps will have printed as soon as the law for meeting emergencies. Col. Haan is amended by the general assembly said some of these plans now were be. in order that the boundaries may be ing used in revising defenses of metro- permanently fixed. The map is really Fruit Will Not Thrive in Dry Places politan districts in accordance with a work of art and Mr. Ross, who is latest information as to the range of a civil engineer, is ground of his foreign field artillery and ships' guns. work.

First Appropriation Bill.

Washington.-The first of the annual appropriation bills-the urgent the qualified electors of Greenville feet at its mouth at the foot of San deficiency bill-was reported to the city decided to issue \$75,000 in bonds senate. An increase of \$948,000 was for the purpose of enlarging and imthis undoubtedly indicated the burst- made by the finance committee to the proving the public school facilities of ing of the Morena dam, 60 miles back \$12.500,000 contained in the bill as it the city. came from the house.

President Starts on Tour.

swiftly over a section of Paris drop- Washington for a speaking tour in recommended to the postmaster gen- plants. You cannot be too particular tion, but was killed by the poison ping about a dozen great bombs. the Middle West in advocacy of his eral that V. B. McFadden be appointed in this respect-remember you are setpreparedness program. He has been postmaster of Rock Hill. Warnings were given again told that most of the opposition to the shortly before 10 o'clock and a sec- army and navy increases is centered tered for the Laymen's Convention in pected by the residents of the dark- lieves that success of his defense plans The farm demonstration agents ened city. The fact that only one depends in large measure on the im- were in annual session at Clemson pression he makes. He will remain College last week. belief that the Zeppelin was making away from Washington until Febru- Constables in Charleston have reuary 4. The president will go over ported big seizures of whiskey during

Preparing For Field Days. Orangeburg.-Programmes are now being prepared for school field days S. Barker, retired, who served from dent Wilson in the house when Repre- and also the great final county field 1862 to 1905 and who at various day to be held at Orangeburg some periods in his career, was commandtime the last of March. These field ant of the Norfolk, New York and day occasions are justly becoming Mare Island Navy Yards, died at his very popular in the county and are do- home here of pneumonia. ing a great deal to encourage better Barker was a native of Hanson, Mass.,

An Old Verb. To laze is an old verb. In Samuel streete, lurke in alchouses and range in the highwaies." The word occurs.

STATE TEACHERS MEET SOON

Annual Convention Will Be Held In Columbia March 15-18.-Great Interest to All.

Columbia.-The annual meeting of the South Carolina Teachers' Association, an organization which is steadonly to the teachers themselves but to the whole educational life of the state, will be held in Columbia March

Interesting programmes that will be vitally helpful and practical are being prepared by the various departments, viz: Department of city and town superintendents, the School Improvement Association, the Association of Elementary Schools, the College Association, the Association of County Superintendents, the department of language teachers, of English teachers and of teachers of demestic science.

"All the educational interests of the state are considered in the work of these special departments and associations by men and women who are actually engaged upon its practical problems. Every teacher in because Mr. Brandeis had not been the state will have a chance of getmentioned among the long list of ting light and help in her special eligibles which President Wilson con field," says an officer of the associa-

The open meetings of the associa tion will be held Thursday night, Fri-Some Senators announced to their day at noon, Friday night and Saturcolleagues they were opposed to the day morning at 9 o'clock. Especially nomination, but declined to be quot attractive programmes are in prepa-

The officers of the association are expecting a very large attendance this year. Columbia is accessible to all parts of the state and its chamber of commerce and all of its educational tion were not lacking, although they, institutions are joining together to too, avoided public expression of their make the coming meeting a memoraviews. They felt sure however they ble one, marking a real advance in

The officers of the association are: It was learned that among the en Dr. H. N. Snyder, president; Miss executive committee.

> Clemson's Baseball Schedule. Charleston.-The baseball schedule of Clemson College is announced as follows: March 27. West Virginia Wesleyan at Clemson; March 31, Georgetown University at Clemson; April 6, Furman at Clemson; April 6, Wofford at Clemson, April 11, 12, the burg; April 19, Furman at Greenville;

Asparagus Growers Busy. Greenville.-The South Carolina Asparagus Growers' Association has filed application with the secretary of Colonel Haan Says \$1,025,000 Men state in Columbia for a charter through its president, J. B. Knight. Washington.-Why a force of at clerk of the United States district crops. Probably more than 80 per The board, known as the National cent of the green asparagus grown in

Map of Cherokee.

Gaffney .- W. H. Ross, clerk to the county commissioners of Cheroke

Greenville Votes School Bonds.

SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS ITEMS.

Washington.-President Wilson left | Congressman D. E. Finley has

Retired Rear Admiral Barker Dead. Washington.-Rear Admiral Albert

Admiral

A Creature From the Fire.

Aristotle believed that some crea-

ately upon being removed from the the following season.

DAIRY HERD IN WINTER

First Essential Is That Cows Be Kept Comfortable.

Right Kind of Feed Goes Long Way Toward Bringing About Contented State of Mind-Several Im-

> portant Factors. (By W. M. KELLY.)

Good stable management is an im-

portant factor in determining the profits from the dairy herd during the winter. The first essential is that the cows be comfortable, because a cow kept otherwise can never do her best. She must have a comfortable place to lie down, stand up, move and stretch her limbs and lick herself all over the body. She must have sunshine and plenty of light. She must have pure air to breathe, and this means that the stable must be pro-

vided with some system of ventilation to give a frequent change of air. This need not be expensive, only a little forethought and a few dollars' worth of material and labor. She must have good pure water at least twice a day, or better still, have an automatic water basin at her side.

The stable should be cleaned daily, and be thoroughly disinfected. The ceiling, floor and sides should be all smooth and of concrete construction, and the fixtures largely iron. It is not expensive, and they are sanitary and permanent.

Large, smooth concrete mangers for feeding are about the best we know of today, Judgment and common sense must be exercised in the methcds of feeding and handling the cows. Fixed rules in feeding are not prac-

ing is unprofitable. The cows must be well nourished at all times, but if given more than they need for maintenance and production, they waste it as a rule. Never stir up dust or foul odors at

milking time. If you do a lot of it

Overfeeding is wasteful; underfeed-

is sure to get into the milk. Whether to feed the cows just before milking is a much debated question. It is not at all dangerous to feed them a little grain, provided you stir up no dust or disagreeable odors. As a rule, the cows will give down



contented minds, and a little of the right kind of feed goes a long way toward bringing about this contented state of mind. Never clean the stables just before milking, for it will stir up a tenfold worse odor than any feed

the cows will eat. Surrounding conditions have much to do with the milk-producing value of any ration.

Dairy cows cannot make as good use of whole grain as they can of grain that has been ground. In the generality of cases, heifers with their first calf do not show as high a test of butterfat as they do at a more mature age.

will usually produce a larger flow of high to keep the nesting material in milk than where the animal is milked | place. close up to calving. A man can better afford to sell butter at the cost of production than to sell grain, that is, when the selling

price of the butter includes the feeds

and labor at their market value.

A period of rest before freshening

HOW TO GROW BLACKBERRIES

Plenty of Moisture Is Needed-Cultivate Constantly.

Blackberries need plenty of moisture and it will not pay to plant them Greenville.—By a vote of 87 to 7 on the top of some dry knoll; for the fruit will not grow to perfection in such dry places, and it will be hard and sour. Choose a place where the ground is of good quality, and where there is plenty of moisture.

Prepare the ground thoroughly by plowing and harrowing before planting, and make the ground mellow down quite deep where you set the ting them out for profit and not simply one. More than 700 delegates have regist to see whether they will grow or not. They should be set about four feet

> Keep the ground loose by constant is poor and the birds become poisoned cultivation, and the sooner you can by the gases from the lungs of their get a good large bush, the sooner you perchmates. will get fruit, and keeping the ground loose will help to keep it mcist.

Before anyone condemns the dairy business, he should make an effort to seep real cows and feed and care for hem so they will make a profit. A

kibosh on the dairy business. The Dry Cow.

than others, but every cow will need will sell quicker than anything else if r six weeks. It will be better for her ner, which adds at least one-fourth

Pruning Blackberries. It is best to prune blackberries in

tures were capable of supporting life the fall. Usually only five or six canes even though confined to the devouring from each root should be allowed to element. He says: "In Cyprus, when grow, the others being pulled out while the manufacturers of chalcitis (lime) they are still small. When the canes burn it many days in the fire, a winged are two and one-half to three feet creature something larger than a great high the tips should be cut or pinched by is seen emerging from the stone back two or three inches. This checks and leaping and walking about in the upward growth and many laterals fire. These creatures perish immedi- push out These laterals bear the fruit

HAVE CLEAN NEST MATERIAL

Percentage of Dirty or Soiled Eggs May Be Materially Reduced by Proper Management.

Poultry keepers may easily reduce the percentage of dirty or soiled eggs, and losses entailed to insignificant figures. First, an ample number of nests is, of course, necessary, but an ample number means no more, than, and probably not as many as, are usually directed by pour selters. Laying houses are, as a rule, provided with a sufficient number, but where the keeper falls down is in failing to supply enough nesting material and

Obviously the nesting material must be clean, or the eggs become soiled by contact, and it must be sufficient in quantity, or the eggs are often broken by dropping upon the hard floor of the

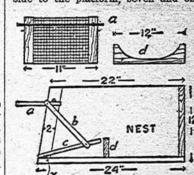
In houses where the dropping-boards are above the nests, and the custom is to sand the boards, small stones often drop into the nest and breakage results when newly-laid eggs fall upon them. The condition of nests should be noticed daily, and the nesting material replenished when necessary. Plenty of nesting material prevents

breakage and insures clean eggs. An ample and clean litter on the floor is also very essential when an A-1 clean product is sought. Particularly is this true when the hens are allowed outdoors during wet weather. The litter acts as a food mat for the hens on their way to the nests. Clean eggs bring better prices than

MAKING A CHEAP TRAP NEST

Simple and Satisfactory Device Can Be Constructed From Orange Box

at Small Expense. Here is a trap nest that can be made from an orange box for less than \$1, writes Thomas Mayberry of Pennslyvania in Farm and Home. The box is 24 inches long, 12 inches wide and 12 inches high. It is shown ready for the hen to enter. When she treads on the platform, C. to go to the nest she c'oses the door, A, behind her and her weight will not let her out B is made one by one-fourth inches, with two small screws to fasten it on each side to the platform, seven and one



A Simple Trap Nest, half inches from screw to steel rod X A is the door covered with one-half inch wire netting. The platform is held off the bottom by wire staples and rod X goes through it. A, the door, has staples for the rod to go through, as shown at the tip, and one inch from that is where the screws hold. D is a partition three inches

VENTILATION FOR HENHOUSE

Reason Given for So Many Apparent ly Healthy Fowls Dropping Dead Off Their Roosts. It has been proved by experiments

that impurities given off from the

lungs of one animal are much more poisonous to another animal than they are to the animal giving them off. You can prove this for your own satisfaction, if you care to. Put a mouse in a self-sealing fruit jar and make the cover tight. In a few minutes he will begin to show signs of suffocation. Then without admitting any more fresh air than you can help, introduce a second mouse into the jar. This second mouse will die before the first one, though he was fresh when the first one was nearly suffocated. The reason for this is that the second mouse did not die of suffoca-

It is entirely possible that this is the reason why so many hens in apapart one way, and eight feet the parently good physical thrift drop dead off the roost. The ventilation

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UNIFORMITY IN EGGS URGED Separate Dark-Colored Eggs From-the

Light and Keep the Different

Sizes by Themselves.

It will be worth an experiment to few of the "weak sisters" meandering assort eggs before selling them, by around in cows' hides are what put separating the dark-colored eggs from those that are light, and also having

the different sizes together. Appearance is worth a great deal Some cows should go dry longer in the selling of an article, and eggs season of rest of at least a month sent to market in an attractive man-

Get Rid of Vermin.

more to the prices.

Lice live upon the bodies of the poultry. They deposit their eggs in the plumage, generally near the vent. and live upon the scurf, dead skin and feathers. To get rid of them remedies must be applied to the bird.

Charcoal Is Beneficial. Don't reglect to have a supply of charcoal before the lavers at all times. It helps to keep the flock healthy.

camp league was organized. Edwin necessary, shall be set aside before and Messrs. Graydon and Searson, on rebuked Mr. Dies for making any rereading, spelling, arithmetic, writing, and was 72 years old. He became an W. Robinson of Columbia, moving special and general orders for the the supreme court reports, contained a marks about the president's views bepublic speaking and athletics. It is ensign in 1862 and took part in the spirit in the campaign for the estab- consideration of uncontested local copy of the contract with the R. L. fore the latter had completed his expected that all teachers and trustees capture of New Orleans. Later he lishment of a citizens' camp, who re- bills. This will enable the calendar Bryan company of Columbia, which speaking tour and declared that his will co-operate to make these occas- commanded the U. S. S. Enterprise cently conferred with Maj. Gen. Leon- to be reduced materially and will allow agreed to publish the reports in volonly defense for changing his position ard Wood, was elected chairman of the local and county measures to go for umees at \$2 per volume. The contract on preparedness was that he believed ions of great value in building up the and ran a line of deep-sca soundings and her upborn calf, ward at rapid rate.

> I believe, in some of Mortimer Collins' lyrics: But Cupld lazeth 'mongst the falery Whose clere complexion he oft sweareth

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